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Kinross reveals new expansion plan at Tasiast

Kinross Gold (TSX: K; NYSE:KGC) is working on a two-phased alternative expansion plan at its troublesome Tasiast gold mine in Mauritania to turn the asset into a profitable operation. This February, the producer deferred a US\$1.6-billion expansion to bring Tasiast up to 38,000 tonnes per day, citing low gold prices and the need to preserve its balance sheet. 11/11/15 | [read more](#)

'Ecuador is the place to be,' Odin geologist says

QUITO, ECUADOR — Diego Benalcazar has worked all over Latin America — from Chile and Peru to Venezuela, Colombia and Mexico — but since mid-2013, the geologist has concentrated on finding projects in Ecuador as Odin Mining and Exploration's (TSXV: ODN) vice-president of exploration and corporate development. "Ecuador is the place to be," he says over lunch at the Marriott Hotel in Quito, where he is attending a government-sponsored investment forum. 11/06/15 | [read more](#)

Oban Mining to pick up Northern Gold

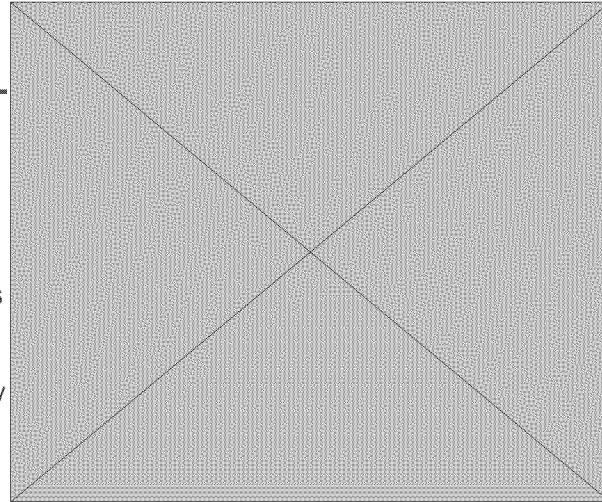
Northern Gold Mining (TSXV: NGM) is the fourth junior this year to sign a business combination agreement with Oban Mining Corp. (TSX: OBM), joining Eagle Hill, Ryan Gold and Corona Gold, which consolidated their properties in Ontario and Quebec under the Oban banner in September. 11/09/15 | [read more](#)

PotashCorp cuts supply to match demand

Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan (TSX: POT; NYSE: POT) is lowering its potash production levels in response to weaker demand and fertilizer prices for the second half of 2015. The Saskatoon-based fertilizer giant will permanently close its Penobsquis mine in New Brunswick by the end of November, and plans a three-week shutdown in December at three of its Saskatchewan mines — Cory, Allan and Lanigan. 11/06/15 | [read more](#)

Editorial: Trans-Pacific Partnership details bring fresh round of scrutiny

Details of the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade agreement have been released by the 12 nations that signed its terms on Oct. 5, 2015, after seven years of negotiation. The TPP would be one of the largest trade deals in decades. Among its many features, it is being touted as removing 98% of the tariffs between the 12 signatory countries that represent many of the biggest and most advanced countries on the Pacific Rim, including Canada, the U.S., Mexico, Peru, Chile, New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, Vietnam and Japan — with the notable exceptions of China as the world's second-largest economy, as well as South Korea, Russia, and emerging economies in Southeast Asia and elsewhere. 11/10/15 | [read more](#)



Fission powers forward after Denison deal dies

VANCOUVER — The dust is settling for Fission Uranium (TSX: FCU; US-OTC: FCUUF) after a failed merger with Lukas Lundin's Denison Mines (TSX: DML; NYSE-MKT: DNN), but the company can't move on just yet, due to an activist retail shareholder group intent on a proxy battle. Denison and Fission scuppered their friendly, proposed all-share deal after Fission could not generate enough shareholder support to meet two-thirds of approval. 11/09/15 | [read more](#)

BHP, Vale scramble to cope with Samarco disaster

VANCOUVER — Mining giants BHP Billiton (NYSE: BHP; LSE: BLT) and Vale (NYSE: VALE) haven't offered much detail about a large-scale tailings dam breach at the Samarco iron ore joint venture in Brazil's Minas Gerais state, but reports already show it could be one of the largest-ever mining-related disasters in terms of area of impact. It was near dusk on Nov. 5

when residents in the nearby town of Bento Rodrigues reportedly heard a thundering boom, followed by a flood of mud and tailings waste that levelled the community. 11/06/15 | [read more](#)

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